

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 289

Introduced by Assembly Member Galgiani

February 13, 2009

An act to amend Section 3800 of the Public Resources Code, relating to public resources.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 289, as introduced, Galgiani. Public resources: geothermal resources: disposition.

Existing law allocates revenues, distributed to the state by the federal government, resulting from statutory activities of certain federal agencies with regard to the development of geothermal resources. The revenues are allocated for certain purposes, including, but not limited to, reduction of dependence on fossil fuels, mitigation of certain adverse consequences of geothermal development, and maintenance of the productivity of renewable resources.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 3800 of the Public Resources Code is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 3800. The purpose of this chapter is to provide for the allocation
- 4 of revenues distributed to the state pursuant to Section 35 of the
- 5 Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920, as amended (30 U.S.C. Sec.

1 191), with respect to ~~activities of~~ *actions taken by* the United States
2 Bureau of Land Management, the United States Forest Service,
3 and other federal agencies ~~undertaken~~ pursuant to the Geothermal
4 Steam Act of 1970 (~~Chapter 23 (commencing with Section 1001)~~
5 ~~of Title 30 of the United States Code~~) (*30 U.S.C. Sec. 1001 et seq.*)
6 in order to accomplish the following general objectives:

7 (a) Reduction of dependence on fossil fuels and stimulation of
8 the state's economy through development of geothermal resources.

9 (b) Mitigation of the adverse social, economic, and
10 environmental impacts caused by geothermal development.

11 (c) Financial assistance to cities, counties, and districts to offset
12 the costs of providing public services and facilities ~~neecessitated~~
13 *required* by the development of geothermal resources within their
14 jurisdictions.

15 (d) Maintenance of the productivity of renewable resources
16 through the investment of the proceeds of a depleting resource.